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Applicant(s):	Matthew Baker et al.	RECEIVED) CENTRAL FAX CENTER
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For:	THROMBOPOIETIN PROTEINS WITH IMPROVED PROPERTIES))
Examiner:	Lorraine Spector, Ph.D.) Attorney Docket No. MER-141

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 27 March 2008 on the above-identified application. Kindly amend this application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this document.